

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF HEARING
FOR THE ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OF
CONSUMERS ENERGY COMPANY
CASE NO. U-18194**

- Consumers Energy Company requests that the Michigan Public Service Commission grant approval of long-term power purchase contracts.
- The information below describes how a person may participate in this case.
- You may call or write Consumers Energy Company, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201, (800) 477-5050 for a free copy of its application. Any person may review the documents at the offices of Consumers Energy Company.
- A public hearing will be held:

DATE/TIME: **Monday, November 28, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.**
This hearing will be a prehearing conference to set future hearing dates and decide other procedural matters.

BEFORE: Administrative Law Judge **Martin D. Snider**

LOCATION: Michigan Public Service Commission
7109 West Saginaw Highway
Lansing, Michigan

PARTICIPATION: Any interested person may attend and participate. The hearing site is accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090 in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold a public hearing to consider Consumers Energy Company's (Consumers Energy) October 31, 2016 application, which seeks Commission's approval to: 1) Grant approval pursuant to MCL 460.6j(13)(b), finding that the capacity purchase arrangements described in this Application are reasonable and prudent; 2) Find that confidential treatment of certain business information described in this Application is appropriate and should be granted to the extent requested in this Application; 3) Grant such other and further relief as may be lawful and appropriate.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found in the User Manual on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an email sent to: mpscedockets@michigan.gov. If you require assistance prior to e-filing, contact Commission staff at (517) 284-8090 or by email at: mpscedockets@michigan.gov.

Any person wishing to intervene and become a party to the case shall electronically file a petition to intervene with this Commission by Monday, November 21, 2016. (Interested persons may elect to file using the traditional paper format.) The proof of service shall indicate service upon Consumers Energy's attorney, Kelly M. Hall, One Energy Plaza, Jackson, Michigan 49201.

Any person wishing to appear at the hearing to make a statement of position without becoming a party to the case may participate by filing an appearance. To file an appearance, the individual must attend the hearing and advise the presiding administrative law judge of his or her wish to make a statement of position. All information submitted to the Commission in this matter becomes public information, thus available on the Michigan Public Service Commission's website, and subject to disclosure. Please do not include information you wish to remain private.

Requests for adjournment must be made pursuant to the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules R 792.10422 and R 792.10432. Requests for further information on adjournment should be directed to (517) 284-8130.

A copy of Consumers Energy's application may be reviewed on the Commission's website at: michigan.gov/mpscedockets, and at the office of Consumers Energy Company. For more information on how to participate in a case, you may contact the Commission at the above address or by telephone at (517) 284-8090.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 106, as amended, MCL 460.551 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.54 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Michigan Administrative Hearing System's Administrative Hearing Rules, 2015 AC, R 792.10401 et seq.

November 7, 2016



RICK SNYDER
GOVERNOR

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November 7, 2016

Case No. U-18194

Ms. Kelly M. Hall
Consumers Energy Company
One Energy Plaza
Jackson, Michigan 49201

Dear Ms. Hall:

Consumers Energy Company shall mail, by November 14, 2016, a copy of the enclosed notice of hearing to all cities, incorporated villages, townships and counties in its electric service area, and to intervenors in Cases Number U-17725. Proof of service shall be filed by the prehearing conference on November 28, 2016.

Consumers Energy Company shall cause the enclosed notice of hearing to be published, by November 14, 2016, in daily newspapers of general circulation in its electric service area. Publishing requirements and a copy of the publishing format are enclosed. Affidavits of publication shall be filed by the prehearing conference on November 28, 2016.

Consumers Energy Company shall, by November 28, 2016, serve upon each person who has petitioned to intervene a copy of the written direct testimony of its proposed witnesses and the proposed exhibits as filed with the Commission. Proofs of service shall be filed with the Commission by December 5, 2016.

Sincerely,

Kavita Kale
Executive Secretary

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